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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/643,192
Applicants : Michael John Robert White *et al.*
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Title : Salicylaldehyde-Containing Composition Having
Antimicrobial And Fragrancing Properties And Process For
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.142

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is responsive to the Office Action issued on April 2, 2007. A shortened statutory period for reply to this Office Action is set to expire on May 2, 2007. A petition for FOUR-MONTH extension of time is submitted herewith, thereby extending the expiration date to September 2, 2007. Applicants elect, with traverse, to prosecute Species III, claims 38 and 39, which are drawn to a process for eliminating *Eschericia coli*, *Enterococcus hirae*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Staphylococcus aureus*, or *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* from the scalp epidermis or scalp hair inhabited by the microorganism and imparting fragrance thereto.

CONCLUSION:

It is believed that the present invention is in proper format for prosecution. Accordingly, early and favorable consideration of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fees, including any extension and/or excess claim fees, any additional fees, or credit any overpayment to the Deposit Account No. 12-1295.

Respectfully submitted,



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